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ABSTRACT

This volume introduces 14 endangered cultures from Southeast and East Asia and describes the most pressing issues facing these marginalized groups, such as the impact of tourism, prohibition against whaling, or dislocation due to nuclear testing. The chapters are: (1) "Identities, Ecologies, Rights, and Features: All Endangered" (Leslie E. Sponsel); (2) "The Ainu of Japan" (Richard Siddle); (3) "The Akha of the Southwest China Borderlands" (Cornelia Ann Kammerer); (4) "The Amis of Taiwan" (Hsiang-mei Cheng); (5) "The Ayukawa-hama Community of Japan" (Masami Iwasaki-Goodman); (6) "The Batak of the Philippines" (James F. Elder); (7) "The Batek of Malaysia" (Kirk Endicott); (8) "The Bulusu' of East Kalimantan, Indonesia" (George N. Appell); (9) "The Karen of Burma and Thailand" (Yoko Hayami and Susan M. Darlington); (10) "The Kubu of Central Sumatra, Indonesia" (Gerard A. Persoon); (11) "The Okinawans of the Ryuku Islands" (James E. Roberson); (12) "The Rungus Dusuan of Sabah, Malaysia" (George N. Appell); (13) "The Semai of Malaysia" (Robert K. Dentan); (14) "The Uyghur of China" (Dru C. Gladney); and (15) "The Yi of China" (Margaret Byrne Swain). A glossary is included. Each chapter contains discussion questions and a resource guide. (Contains 12 tables, 25 figures, 18 maps, and 117 references.) (SLD)

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